

INTERVIEW SUMMARY UNDER 37 CFR §1.133 AND MPEP §713.04

A telephonic interview in the above-referenced case was conducted on October 19, 2005 between the Examiner and the Applicants' undersigned representative. The Office Action mailed on August 17, 2005 was discussed. Specifically, the rejections of claim 1 in light of Paul (U.S. Patent No. 5,999,932) and the proposed amendments set forth herein were discussed with the intent to place the claims in better condition for allowance or appeal.

The Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for his time and attention in this case.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 8, 15, 21, 25, 30, and 37 have been amended to clarify the subject matter regarded as the invention. Claims 1-44 are pending.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-44 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Paul in view of Cloutier. Paul teaches filtering email messages. Paul's email filter includes inclusion lists identifying e-mail desired by a user. Cloutier teaches notification and retrieval of electronically stored messages using signature codes. Neither Paul nor Cloutier teaches determining the message is "not a duplicate message" and storing the message tag in the single shared index file if the message is "not a duplicate message" as amended in claim 1. Therefore, claim 1 is believed to be allowable.

Claims 2-7 depend from claim 1 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

With respect to amended claim 8, neither Paul nor Cloutier teaches storing the second message tag in the single shared index file if "the second message is not a duplicate of the first message." Therefore claim 8 is believed to be allowable.

Claims 9-14 depend from claim 8 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

Like claim 1, amended claim 15 recites determining that the message is "not a duplicate message" and storing the message tag in the single shared index file if the message is "not a duplicate message." Therefore, claim 15 is believed to be allowable.

Claims 15-20 and 29 depend from claim 15 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

With respect to amended claim 21, neither Paul nor Cloutier teaches the "duplicate" checker that determines the message is "a duplicate message." Therefore, claim 20 is believed to be allowable.

Claims 22-28 depend from claim 21 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

Like claim 8, amended claim 30 recites storing the second message tag in the single shared index file if "the second message is not a duplicate of the first message." Therefore, claim 30 is believed to be allowable.

Claims 31-36 depend from claim 30 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

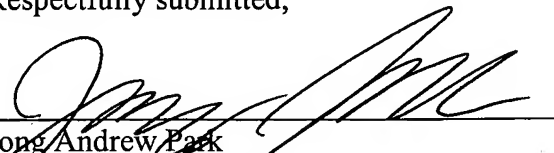
With respect to amended claim 37, neither Paul nor Cloutier teaches the "duplicate" checker that indicates to the archive server that the message is "a duplicate message," and if the message is "not a duplicate message" the archive server stores the message in the archive message store. Therefore, claim 37 is believed to be allowable.

Claims 38-44 depend from claim 37 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

Reconsideration of the application and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested based on the preceding remarks. If at any time the Examiner believes that an interview would be helpful, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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